

REMARKS

Claims 1-31 are pending in the present application and have been restricted. Applicant elects Specie 1 corresponding to the embodiment of figure 1, without traverse. The claims readable on Specie 1 are 1-24 and 26-29. This election is being made without prejudice to Applicant's rights with respect to the withdrawn claims, including the right to file divisional applications thereon.

Prosecution on the merits is respectfully requested. Consideration and allowance of Claims 1-24 and 26-29 are also requested. The foregoing is believed to be fully responsive to this office action.

If there are any charges with respect to this amendment, or otherwise, please charge them to Deposit Account No. 06-1130 maintained by Applicant's attorneys.

Respectfully submitted,

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